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Main Entry: **1com·bine**

Pronunciation: \kəm-'bīn\

Function: *verb*

Inflected Form(s): **com·bined**; **com·bin·ing**

Etmology: Middle English, from Middle French *combiner*, from Late Latin *combinare*, from Latin *com-* + *bini* two by two — more at [BIN-](#)

Date: 15th century

transitive verb

1 a : to bring into such close relationship as to obscure individual characters : **MERGE** <two companies *combining* forces> **b** : to cause to unite into a chemical compound **c** : to unite into a single number or expression <*combine* fractions and simplify>

2 : **INTERMIX BLEND** <*combine* the sugar and flour>

3 : to possess in **combination** <a writer whose works *combine* imagination and scholarship>

intransitive verb

1 a : to become one **b** : to unite to form a chemical compound

2 : to act together <many factors *combined* to cause the recession>

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— **com·bin·able** \-'bī-nə-bəl/ *adjective*

— **com·bin·er** *noun*

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